

Appl. No. 09/979,529  
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### AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, lines 25 - 34, through page 4, lines 1-3 with the following amended paragraph:

The detergent base particles for use in the method of the present invention may comprise a single detergent ingredient in particulate form or may be a pre-mix of detergent ingredients. Where the detergent base particles comprise a pre-mix, the separate detergent ingredients may simply be mixed together or may comprise a pre-formed particulate comprising any combination of two or more detergent ingredients, or mixtures thereof, optionally with single detergent ingredients. Suitable pre-formed particulates for the base particles may have been formed by spray-drying, agglomeration, marumerisation, extrusion or compaction, all of which methods for combining detergent ingredients are well-known in the art. Particularly preferred pre-formed particulates are powders obtained from spray-drying processes, agglomerates and extrudates. Spray-dried powders are particularly useful. Pre-formed particulates made according to at least one low shear mixing step, for example in a fluidized bed, for example by fluid bed agglomeration are particularly preferred. Particularly preferred particles are as described in our co-pending application filed today under reference number CM2158F, Procter & Gamble Application Serial No. 09/979,528, filed 6/20/01, now U.S. Patent No. 6,579,844.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, lines 16 - 22, with the following amended paragraph:

Preferred amylases include, for example,  $\alpha$ -amylases, described in more detail in GB-1,269,839 (Novo). Preferred commercially available amylases include for example, those sold under the trade name Rapidase by Gist-Brocades, and those sold under the trade name Termamyl, Duramyl and BAN by Novo Industries A/S. Preferred amylase enzymes may be those described in PCT/ US 9703635 published 09/12/1997, and in WO95/26397 and WO96/23873. Amylase enzyme may be incorporated into the composition in accordance with the invention at a level of from 0.0001% to 2% active enzyme by weight.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 26, lines 7 - 9, with the following amended paragraph:

Examples of preferred cationic peroxyacid precursors are described in ~~UK Patent Application No. 9407944.9~~ and US Patent Application Nos. 08/298903, 08/298650, 08/298904 and 08/298906.